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# AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Attorney Docket No.: 98723  
XERZ 2 00304

Ser. No.: 09/443,677	Filed: November 19, 1999	Examiner: KING Y. POON
Art Unit: 2624	Title: <b>FINISHING SUBSTITUTION USING ABSTRACT CAPABILITIES</b>	

To the Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For	No. of Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Rate
Total Claims	10	Minus	20	0	X 18	\$0.00
Indep. Claims	6	Minus	8	0	X 86	\$0.00
TOTAL					=	\$0.00

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached.
- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 24-0037.
- ☐ Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and request a **-month extension of time** to respond to the outstanding Office Action. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.00 to cover the applicable extension of time fees.
- ☒ Applicants request any extensions of time that may be necessary and authorize the required fees be charged to Deposit Account No. 24-0037.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 24-0037.

Respectfully submitted,  
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PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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TITLE : **FINISHING SUBSTITUTION USING  
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**SUPPLEMENTARY AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Advisory Action mailed October 25, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.